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Subcommittee expects to discuss this and related issues again.

BUDGET: INDIAN PROGRAMS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2007 for Indian programs, after receiving testimony from James Cason, Associate Deputy Secretary, and Ross Swimmer, Special Trustee for American Indians, both of the Department of the Interior; Charles W. Grim, Assistant Surgeon General, Director, Indian Health

Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Darla Marburger, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, and Tom Corwin, Director of Division of Elementary and Secondary Vocational Analysis, both of the Department of Education; Orlando J. Cabrera, Assistant Secretary, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Regina B. Schofield, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; Joseph A. Garcia, National Congress of American Indians, Kathleen Kitcheyan, National Indian Health Board, Cheryl Parish and Gary Gordon, both of National American Indian Housing Council, and Gary L. Edwards, National Native American Law Enforcement Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Ryan Wilson, National Indian Education Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 4740–4753; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 339–340 and H. Res. 673–677 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed on Friday, February 10th, as follows:

H. Res. 593, directing the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Attorney General, and requesting the President, to provide certain information to the House of Representatives relating to extraordinary rendition of certain foreign persons, adversely (H. Rept. 109–374);

H. Res. 624, requesting the President of the United States and directing the Secretary of State to provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in their possession relating to United States policies under the United Nations Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and the Geneva Conventions, adversely (H. Rept. 109–375); and

H. Res. 642, requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State to provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in their possession relating to the Secretary of State's trip to Europe in December 2005, adversely (H. Rept. 109–376).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Issa to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Message From the Clerk: Read a letter from the Clerk notifying the House that she received a message from the President on Monday, February 13, containing the Economic Report of the President.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the 2006 Economic Report of the President—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered printed (H. Doc. 109–78).

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Commission Appointment: Read a letter from the Committee on Ways and Means Ranking Minority Member, Mr. Rangel, whereby he appointed to the National Surface Transportation Infrastructure Financing Commission the following individuals: Mr. Elliot (Lee) Sander, Director of the Rudin Center for Transportation Policy and Management at New York University, and Senior Vice President and Director of Strategic Development at DMJM Harris, of New York City, New York; and Mr. Craig Lentzsch, CEO of Coach USA and KBUS Holdings, of Dallas, Texas.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Expressing the Sense of Congress regarding the contribution of the USO to the morale and welfare

of our servicemen and women of our armed forces and their families: H. Con. Res. 322, amended, to express the Sense of Congress regarding the contribution of the USO to the morale and welfare of our servicemen and women of our armed forces and their families, by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 8;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the appreciation of Congress for the contributions of the United Service Organizations, Incorporated (the USO), to the morale and welfare of the members of the Armed Forces and their families.”.

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Supporting the goals and ideals of a Day of Hearts, Congenital Heart Defect Day in order to increase awareness about congenital heart defects: H. Res. 629, to support the goals and ideals of a Day of Hearts, Congenital Heart Defect Day in order to increase awareness about congenital heart defects;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the “Raymond J. Salmon Post Office”: H.R. 4152, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the “Raymond J. Salmon Post Office”; and

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 Rolfe Square in Cranston, Rhode Island, shall be known and designated as the “Holly A. Charette Post Office”: S. 1989, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 57 Rolfe Square in Cranston, Rhode Island, shall be known and designated as the “Holly A. Charette Post Office”, by a yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 9;—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:10 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a report prepared by the National Science Board entitled, “Science and Engineering Indicators—2006”;—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H238 and H245.

Senate Referrals: S. 2166 was referred to the Committee on House Administration and S. 2275 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H239 and H239–40. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MEMBERS’ DAY

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Members’ Day. Testimony was heard from Representatives Neugebauer, King of Iowa, Ehlers, Holt, McMorris, Hinojosa, Tiahrt, Young of Alaska, Regula, Fossella, McGovern, Capito, Carson, Bass, Bishop of New York, Kelly, Kucinich, Miller of North Carolina, Kennedy of Minnesota, Brown-Waite of Florida, Salazar, Hayes, Fitzpatrick of Pennsylvania, and Mica.

POST 9/11—NATIONAL SECURITY WHISTLEBLOWERS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations held a hearing entitled “National Security Whistleblowers in the post-9/11 Era: Lost in a Labyrinth and Facing Subtle Retaliation.” Testimony was heard from James McVay, Deputy Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel; Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, Department of Justice; Gregory H. Friedman, Inspector General, Department of Energy; Thomas Gimble, Acting Inspector General, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

RESOLUTION—SUPPORTING REPUBLIC OF BELARUS EFFORTS FOR DEMOCRACY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats approved for full Committee action the following resolutions: H. Res. 673, Expressing support for the efforts of the people of the Republic of Belarus to establish a full democracy, the rule of law, and respect for human rights and urging the Government of Belarus to conduct a free and fair presidential election on March 19, 2006; and H. Res. 578, Concerning the government of Romania’s ban on intercountry adoptions and the welfare of orphaned or abandoned children in Romania.

CHINESE INFLUENCE ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Chinese Influence on U.S. Foreign Policy through U.S. Educational Institutions, Multilateral Organizations and Corporate America. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.